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Pollution Prevention Advisory Board

Department of Public Health & Environment

Meeting Notes March 22, 2016

Attending: Lisa Bardwell, Andrew Flynn, Karen Hancock, Bill Hayes, Bradley Kieding, Patricia Mason, Katie Navin, Nick Pizzuti, Thomas Riggle, David Stewart, Lindsay Weber, Rachel Wilson-Roussel

Not Attending: Rebecca White, Kim Hargraves-Tyrrell, Quint Redmond, Mary Jo Lockbaum, Jarrett Smith

CDPHE Staff: Liz Sapio

Approval of February Meeting Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the board's February meeting. Motion passed.

March Board Updates

Board members were invited to share pertinent news about their work and any projects they were undertaking.

2016 Objectives, Tasks and Activities review

The board discussed its 2015 objectives and revised them for the coming year.

Objective 1 language was revised to remove the Environmental Leadership Program (ELP) focus as this will be an on-going CDPHE activity. Objective 1 now reads:

- 1) **Advise the department on engaging the agricultural and food production industry in pollution prevention and water conservation efforts.**

Two new 2016 tasks were identified under this objective:

- Coordinate a meeting for June 2016 to discuss water use in agriculture. Potential participants include: WQCD, DNR, DOA, Denver Water, Aurora Water and the Colorado Water Institute at CSU. The goals would be: 1) to identify a case study possibility that would highlight water conservation while maintaining productivity levels; 2) Identify barriers to using reused water for agriculture and examples of successful strategies.
 - Meeting Coordination Volunteers: Dave, Quint, Karen and Thomas
- Encourage a speaker or panel discussion on water use at the Governor's Ag Forum in coordination with the Colorado Ag Leadership Team. Consider a sponsorship opportunity.

Objective 2 was revised slightly to read:

- 2) **Support opportunities promoting water reuse & the "One Water" concept.**

The one water concept ensures uses are supplied from the most appropriate sources, minimizes use of water, and improves overall stewardship of water resources.

Five new and revised tasks were added under this objective:

- Discuss outcomes of the Colorado WaterReuse symposium and USGBC annual conference's water reuse track.
- Review what is an acceptable new development residential precipitation harvesting pilot project (HB15-1016) and encourage other developers to take part in similar pilot projects.
- Support legislative efforts that advance water reuse in the state, such as the residential rain barrel effort, through letters of support.
- Consider supporting educational outreach to municipalities on graywater regulations passed by WQCC in May 2015.
- Support June 2016 meeting on water reuse in Ag.

Objective 3 was left unchanged and reads:

3) Develop and communicate sustainability messages to the public and highlight success of recycling grant program.

Two activities were added under this objective:

- Discuss improvements to the CDPHE website so current recycling grant recipients are easier to find. Create message/audience matrix.
- Reach out to partners to coordinate development of a statewide recycling message. Partners may include: CAFR, Eco-cycle and the Materials Management Unit at CDPHE. Consider PSA's and other ways of communicating this message to the public.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 2016 objectives and activities. Motion passed.

FY 2017 & 2018 Budget Presentation

Rachel Wilson-Roussel presented the FY17 and FY18 budget. The Sustainability Unit will again be applying for the EPA's Pollution Prevention Grant; however, this year the request will cover two years. Therefore, the unit is seeking approval for FY17 and FY 18 matching commitments from the board to continue funding: ELP program, P2 Specialist, operating and indirect costs.

As has been noted in the past, the P2 fund has had a larger than normal fund balance and we are trying to spend down that fund balance while keeping within our approved spending authority.

Rachel requested the budget for FY17 & FY18 be approved by PPAB.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the FY17 and FY 18 budget as proposed. Motion passed.

CEHA Sustainability Track Brainstorm

Rachel Wilson-Roussel volunteered to oversee the Sustainability Track at the Colorado Environmental Health Association's Conference taking place in September in Breckenridge. Rachel asked the board for its thoughts on ideas for presentations and themes for the track. There are approximately 300 attendees.

Ideas included:

Water conservation, walkability, transit-oriented development, lessons learned from zero waste efforts (Boulder), food packaging, waste reduction/health issues, gray water, well-building standards, energy efficiency rebates, water reuse, and food waste.

If board members think of additional ideas for themes or speakers, please contact Rachel.

Future Meeting Agendas

Next PPAB meeting is April 26, 2016, 10 AM- 1PM.

Possible agenda topics include:

- RREO grant approvals (decision item);
- Planning and further discussion re: June meeting on barriers to water reuse in agriculture;
- officer elections; and
- updates to bylaws.